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BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Market Power Study for Retail Competition

05-EI-120

NOTICE OF PROCEEDING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Comments Due: Address Comments To:

Wednesday, November 22, 2000 – Lynda L. Dorr, Secretary to the Commission

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1999 Wisconsin Act 9 created Wis. Stat. § 196.025(5)(ar) directing the Commission to "contract with an expert consultant in economics to conduct a study on the potential for horizontal market power, including the horizontal market power of electric generators, to frustrate the creation of an effectively competitive retail electricity market in this state and to make recommendations on measures to eliminate such market power on a sustainable basis." On February 15, 2000, the Commission issued its request for proposal to select the expert consultant. On March 22, 2000, responses to the request for proposal were received. On April 24, 2000, the Commission awarded a contract to Tabors, Caramanis and Associates of Cambridge Massachusetts to conduct the study. At its open meeting on October 31, 2000, the consultant's final report was delivered and its findings presented to the Commission.

By this notice, the Commission seeks comments on the report prepared by Tabors, Caramanis and Associates. Comments are limited to 20 pages. Please submit 15 copies of all comments to Lynda L. Dorr, Secretary. These comments must be received by noon on Wednesday, November 22, 2000. Comments by fax are due one day earlier. Fax filing cover sheets must state "Official Filing" and include the docket number and the number of pages (limit of 20 pages). File by one mode only. The consultant's report and comments received will be considered by the Commission in its report to the Legislature due January 1, 2001, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.025(5)(b).

Copies of the final report are available on the Commission's internet web page at http://www.psc.state.wi.us. The report will be available on November 2, 2000.

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to project coordinator (608) 267-1474.	Randel Pilo at
Dated at Madison, Wisconsin,	
By the Commission:	
Lynda L. Dorr Secretary to the Commission	

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